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The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the full-text publication of all Executive Orders and Proclamations of General Applicability issued by the Governor. In addition, the *Register* shall include each statement filed by the Governor in granting a commutation, pardon or reprieve, or stay or suspension of execution where a sentence of death is imposed. With the exception of egregious errors, content (including spelling, grammar, and punctuation) of these orders has been reproduced as submitted.

* NATIONAL LEARN AND SERVE CHALLENGE *

[M07-531]

WHEREAS, the National Learn and Serve Challenge is a weeklong series of local, state, and national events designed to raise awareness and public support for service-learning; and

WHEREAS, service-learning is a teaching method that engages young people in solving problems within their schools and communities as part of their academic studies or other types of intentional learning activity; and

WHEREAS, service-learning also helps young people develop a range of service skills, from acts of kindness and caring, to community stewardship, to civic action; and

WHEREAS, Mesa Public Schools has institutionalized a service-learning program which has engaged over 21,000 students and 800 teachers in the 2006-2007 school year; and

WHEREAS, high school students in the Mesa Public Schools completed over 217,000 hours of service to their communities during the 2006-2007 school year; and

WHEREAS, through service-learning, the Mesa Public Schools' students are fostering a better quality of life for themselves;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 17-23, 2007 as "Service-Learning Week in the Mesa Public Schools."

* NATIONAL LEARN AND SERVE CHALLENGE *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this fourteenth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* DENTAL HYGIENISTS' ASSOCIATION DAY *

[M07-541]

WHEREAS, Arizona registered dental hygienists established a professional organization in 1953, the Arizona State Dental Hygienists' Association;

WHEREAS, the ASDHA promotes the highest standards of dental hygiene education, licensure, practice, and research; and

WHEREAS, the ASDHA strives to advance the art and science of dental hygiene and protect the profession and the public;

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and

WHEREAS, the ASDHA constantly works to increase access to oral health care in dental offices, public health facilities, schools, private organizations, and research facilities to provide the best possible oral healthcare for all Arizona citizens; and

WHEREAS, the ASDHA members voluntarily give their time and effort in providing educational and preventive oral healthcare services to special needs groups such as the elderly, mentally and physically disabled, the underprivileged and children; and

WHEREAS, the scientific evidence of the relationship between oral health and general health demands the increase in awareness and utilization of the cost-effective benefits of prevention using the preventive oral health care professionals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 12, 2007 as

* DENTAL HYGIENISTS' ASSOCIATION DAY *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this seventeenth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* SPIRIT OF THE HEARD DAY *

[M07-538]

WHEREAS, the Spirit of the Heard Award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated a level of personal excellence in his or her life, either individually or as a community leader in a chosen field; and

WHEREAS, the Spirit of the Heard Award recognizes an individual in any of the areas that are consistent with the mission of the Heard Museum; and

WHEREAS, the Spirit of the Heard Award is a national award with an emphasis on individuals who are members of a Southwest tribe or community; and

WHEREAS, the Spirit of the Heard Award is presented to a living person who will be present to accept the honor; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Heard Museum is to educate the public about the heritage and the living cultures and arts of Native peoples, with an emphasis on the peoples of the Southwest; and

WHEREAS, Emory Sekaquaptewa has distinguished himself as a leader in the preservation of Hopi language and culture, an attorney and judge in the Hopi tribal appellate court, and as a professor of Anthropology at the University of Arizona;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 5, 2007 as

* SPIRIT OF THE HEARD DAY *

honoring Emory Sekaquaptewa, the 2007 award recipient, for his contributions as a community leader and role model.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

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Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this seventeenth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* BOLA TIE WEEK *

[M07-559]

WHEREAS, in 1949, through the ingenuity and resourcefulness of Victor B. Cedarstaff, there came into being that combination of leathercraft and the lapidary art which has evolved into the bola tie; and

WHEREAS, the design potential of the bola tie created an ideal medium for the "rockhound" and the silversmith to join in an expression of their talents and skills; and

WHEREAS, the popularity of the bola tie, firmly established around Arizona is now extending far beyond the borders of the state as a symbol and reminder of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 41st Anniversary of the Bola Tie Society of Arizona;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 15-21, 2007 as

* BOLA TIE WEEK *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eighteenth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* CHARACTER COUNTS! WEEK *

[M07-537]

WHEREAS, young people will be the stewards of our communities, nation and world in critical times, and the present; and

WHEREAS, concerns about the character training of children have taken on a new sense of urgency as violence by and against youth threatens the physical and psychological well-being of the nation; and

WHEREAS, more than ever, children need strong and constructive guidance from their families and their communities, including schools, youth organizations, religious institutions and civic groups; and

WHEREAS, the character of a nation is only as strong as the character of its individual citizens, and the public good benefits when young people learn that good character counts in personal relationships, in school and in the workplace; and

WHEREAS, scholars and educators agree that people do not automatically develop good character and, therefore, conscientious efforts must be made by youth-influencing institutions and individuals to help young people develop the essential

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traits and characteristics that comprise good character; and

WHEREAS, character development is first and foremost an obligation of families, efforts by faith communities, schools, and youth, civic, and human service organizations also play a very important role in supporting family efforts by fostering and promoting good character; and

WHEREAS, in July of 1992 the Aspen Declaration was written by an eminent group of educators, youth leaders and ethics scholars for the purpose of articulating a coherent framework for character education appropriated to a diverse and pluralistic society; and

WHEREAS, the Aspen Declaration states that "effective character education is based on core ethical values which form the foundation of democratic society": trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship, and these "Six Pillars of Character" transcend cultural, religious, and socioeconomic differences; and

WHEREAS, the Aspen Declaration states that, the character and conduct of our youth reflect the character and conduct of society; therefore, every adult has the responsibility to promote the development of good character;

NOW, THEREFORE, I. Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona do hereby declare October 21 - 27, 2007 as

* CHARACTER COUNTS! WEEK *

in Arizona and urge all citizens to seek out opportunities to incorporate these core ethical values, to embrace the six pillars of character and observe the week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eighteenth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* MARTIAL ARTS DAY *

[M07-539_]

WHEREAS, the National Association of Professional Martial Artists and Project Action Foundation are celebrating National Martial Arts Day on October 13, 2007 in order to unite children and adults who participate in the martial arts; and

WHEREAS, National Martial Arts Day seeks to introduce the values of self-control, self-discipline, personal defense and physical fitness for every age, race, gender and ability level; and

WHEREAS, the participation in the Martial Arts builds strength, character, focus, flexibility and coordination while enhancing performance in other sports, the workplace, the home or in school; and

WHEREAS, Martial Arts also enhance self-esteem, goal setting abilities, anger management and the skills of non-violet conflict resolution in people of all ages, helping them to become more productive and healthy people; and

WHEREAS, on National Martial Arts Day, martial Arts schools from across the United States will partner with the National Association of Professional Martial Artists and Project Action Foundation to heighten the visibility of the Martial Arts and encourage participation at the grassroots level;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona do hereby proclaim October 13, 2007 as

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* MARTIAL ARTS DAY *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eighteenth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* PUBLIC POWER WEEK *

[M07-543]

WHEREAS, the members of the Arizona Municipal Power Users' Association (AMPUA), operate community-owned, notfor-profit electric utilities; and

WHEREAS, the members of AMPUA are consumers and owners of the public power system; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Municipal Power Users' Association provides homes, businesses, farms, social service and local government agencies with reliable, efficient and cost-effective electricity employing sound business practices designed to ensure the best possible service at the lowest possible rate; and

WHEREAS, public ownership of the Arizona Municipal Power Users' Association assures not-for-profit electric rates and citizen participation in electric utility operations and policies; and

WHEREAS, not-for-profit electric rates and citizens participation combine to ensure that AMPUA operates in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Municipal Power Users' Association is one of a community of 2,204 publicly owned electric utilities in the United States, ensuring competition in the electric utility industry and benefiting all eclectic consumers nationwide;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 7 - 13, 2007 as

* PUBLIC POWER WEEK *

to honor public power systems and their consumer-owners within the State of Arizona.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eighteenth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

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* RECORD-A-THON WEEK *

[M07-542]

WHEREAS, more than a million people in the US are legally blind and one out of every five Americans has a learning disability; and

WHEREAS, research in the field of print disabilities indicates that by grade four, without the benefits of recorded books, many students with print disabilities have already failed, reducing their self-esteem and turning them into non-readers; and

WHEREAS, the dropout rate for these students is 35 percent, more than double that of students without print disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic[®] (RFB&D[®]) is the nation's educational library for people with print disabilities and provides recorded textbooks in every subject area and grade level; and

WHEREAS, recorded textbooks help improve reading speed, content acquisition and reading comprehension; and these books are read and recorded by nearly 7,200 volunteers, including more than 200 here in Arizona and

WHEREAS, more than 3500 students in Arizona already benefit from the use of RFB&D's recorded textbooks; and

WHEREAS, Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic Arizona will hold its annual Record-A-Thon during the week of October 7-12, in RFB&D recording studios Phoenix and Peoria/Sun City as part of the national effort to increase the number of recorded books available to RFB&D's more than 146,000 members nationwide,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 8 - 12, 2007 as

* RECORD-A-THON WEEK *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eighteenth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* WALLACE FOUNDATION DAY *

[M07-554]

WHEREAS, *The Wallace Foundation* has generously devoted the last 30 years to meeting its mission of promoting social responsibility through funding non profit agencies demonstrating innovative solutions to the growing problems of social and economic injustice in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, *The Wallace Foundation* has funded more than 300 non profit agencies contributing to the success of many programs and initiatives throughout the state that have benefited the lives of thousands of Arizona citizens; and

WHEREAS, *The Wallace Foundation* has provided leadership in philanthropy and social justice for so many critical causes, such as literacy, immigration, homelessness, education, and justice while inspiring others to continue to work for a better world; and

WHEREAS, *The Wallace Foundation* supported organizations in rural areas, small towns and Reservations in Arizona giving them a much-needed chance to sustain their operations and improve living conditions; and

WHEREAS, The Wallace Foundation has supported start-up organizations and afforded them the opportunity to establish

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their client services; and

WHEREAS, The Wallace Foundation has become a partner in providing access to justice in the most marginalized communities in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, *The Wallace Foundation* has shared its social justice philosophy and provided free training to nonprofit agencies and funding professionals through its advocacy conference; and

WHEREAS, *The Wallace Foundation* has been an active and contributing member of Arizona Grantmakers Forum and the philanthropic community in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, *The Wallace Foundation's* emphasis on advocacy and policy change has and will continue to bring systemic changes that make people's lives better, not just for a day, but for a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, 30 years of grantmaking will continue to enrich generations of those who have prospered through *The Foundation's* generosity by healing and restoring lives and building brighter and safer futures; and

WHEREAS, The Wallace Foundation has created a lasting legacy born of commitment to compassion and social justice.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 30, 2007 as

* WALLACE FOUNDATION DAY *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eighteenth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* CHANGE A LIGHT, CHANGE THE WORLD DAY *

[M07-535]

WHEREAS, energy efficiency is important to Arizona, because it saves consumers and businesses money, and helps protect the environment, because it lessens greenhouse gas emissions and reduces air pollution; and

WHEREAS, the nation's Governors are committed to maintaining secure, safe and affordable energy resources for their citizens; and

WHEREAS, citizens of Arizona have the opportunity to both save energy and help to voluntarily reduce greenhouse gas emissions by switching to energy efficient lighting products in their homes; and

WHEREAS, Arizona is proud to do our part for our state in this nationwide effort, celebrating this day to promote energy efficiency and environmental stewardship in every household, by changing a single light;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 3, 2007 to be

* CHANGE A LIGHT, CHANGE THE WORLD DAY *

and encourage all our citizens to explore ways to make their homes and businesses more energy efficient.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be

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affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this nineteenth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer **Secretary of State**